

Last Reminder: LCA-Related Social Event at SETAC Prague, 20.04.04

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

In the tradition of the SETAC Annual Meetings of 2001 until 2003, the Industrial Ecology & Life Cycle Systems Group of the EPFL is organising a social evening for the communities of LCA and its many related fields (accompanying persons are most welcome). This year's get-together will take place at a unique historical venue in Prague on **Tuesday April 20**, starting at 19:00. The price for everything, including free drinks, is Euro 50 per person. The **registration deadline is April 8** (just send an e-mail to: ralph.rosenbaum@epfl.ch). We will leave the Congress Centre between 18:15 and 18:45 by buses. The venue is the BEVNOV MONASTERY in Prague (see photo), an old monastery of the Benedictines dating back several centuries. You will get the chance to enjoy a buffet with local specialties. More details and final information will be sent to all inscribed participants in due time.

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ISACOAT Conference – Call for papers

September 23–24, 2004, Karlsruhe, Germany (<http://www-iip.wiwi.uni-karlsruhe.de/~voc/isacoat.htm>)

The **Thematic Network ISACOAT** (12/2001 – 12/2004) fosters the exchange of experiences and knowledge in the metal coating sector between universities, paint producers and users, research institutes, accredited laboratories and engineering consultancies, covering seven Member and three New Member States. The focus is on paint application activities, with particular consideration given to the consequences of new environmentally friendly products and technologies for SME. Possible future changes of the organisation and functioning of the supply chain in the sector due to technological and product development, as well as changes in the business environment (e.g. new legislation) and in sector organisation (e.g. horizontal and vertical integration processes), are discussed and investigated by implementing scenario analysis techniques.

We would like to invite you to the International Conference 'Integrated Scenario Analysis and Decision Support for the Modern Factory – Innovative Products, Processes and Organisation for Metal Coating'. All participants are invited to contribute to the conference by submitting abstracts (for papers or exhibits) until **April 15th 2004**, related to the topics of the symposium.

Topics:

- I. Tools for implementing sustainable development in industry
- II. Coating processes trends, emerging metal coating technologies and their diffusion in Europe.
- III. Environmental assessment methods
- IV. Investigation of the economic and social interrelations in Supply Chains
- V. Integrated Technique Assessment
- VI. Consequences for political decision making

Target groups:

- Practitioners, from paint users to producers
- Representatives of trade associations and federations
- Political decision makers
- Researchers interested in Integrated Scenario and Supply Chain Analysis

Important Dates:

April 15, 2004: Submission deadline for abstracts, posters and exhibits

May 31, 2004: Notification of acceptance

August 31, 2004: Deadline for paper submission

Registration fees:

190 Euro (including lunches, coffee/tea, proceedings)

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